

# THE SIERRA MADRE NEWS

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## WATER VOTE IS POSTPONED

DELAYED BY TECHNICALITY

**Straw Vote Shows Overwhelming Sentiment of Stockholders Favors Transfer to City.**

Though no binding action could be taken at the meeting of the Sierra Madre Water company last evening the stockholders embraced the opportunity to place themselves squarely on record as favoring the proposition to sell their holdings to the city at an agreed price of \$96,000.

At the opening of the meeting President Andrews announced that the company's attorney, Major Lee, had decided there was a technical error in the call for the meeting which would invalidate any action taken at the meeting. Consequently the meeting would have to go over to the second Thursday in March as provided in the by-laws. The error in the call consisted in specifying the Town Hall as the place of meeting instead of the company's office, which is hardly large enough to give standing room for the Board of Directors.

But with a good representation of stockholders present it was thought best to have a full and free discussion of the merits of the question. President Andrews called upon Mr. Blumer who went into the question very fully in a statement so clear and logical that little remained to be said. Mr. Dietz followed with some figures which he said would show Mr. Blumer's estimate of probable expense entirely too large, implying that municipal ownership would involve unnecessary expense for developing water. But he did not make it entirely clear whether he was fighting municipal ownership or simply opposing the expenditure of so much money as Mr. Blumer had assumed as an outside estimate of possible expense.

Remarks by Messrs. E. W. Camp, N. H. Hosmer, C. J. Pegler, Frank Biederman and Thomas Stone followed, all favorable to the transfer. A resolution moved by Mr. Blumer was then voted upon while Secretary Perry called the roll of stockholders. The resolution expressed the approval of the stockholders for the proposed transfer and directed that the proposition be incorporated in the call for the meeting in March. The resolution carried by a vote of about 9 to 1, the figures being 4,356.34 shares favorable and 506.54 against. The noes were represented by six stockholders and are thought to represent about the total strength of the opposition. There seems to be no doubt that the proposition would have received the necessary two-thirds of the total stock last night had it not been for the fact that several large stockholders remained away when informed that no legal action could be taken.

Rev. and Mrs. Edward Campbell of Storm Lake, Iowa, are quartered at the Sinclair home while enjoying a California vacation. Rev. Campbell is president of Buena Vista College at Storm Lake, a Presbyterian institution and prominent in church affairs in north-western Iowa.

**Board of Trade Monday evening at City Hall. Regular meeting.**

## JURY TRIAL POSTPONED

It has been found necessary to postpone the hearing of the breach of promise suit mentioned in last week's News for two weeks. The vaudeville program and "Trial by Jury" for the benefit of the Board of Trade will accordingly be held on the evenings of March 2 and 3. The change was made necessary by uncertainty regarding the ability of Mrs. Philip Carter to act as accompanist on account of illness resulting from a dog's bite. For a time it seemed that she would be unable to go ahead with the rehearsals and there would not have been time for a new accompanist to get the work in hand for the dates originally set.

Preparations for the event are going forward in satisfactory shape and there seems to be no reason for doubting that it will be the big entertainment event of the year. Nobody will dispute the right of the Board of Trade to expect liberal patronage, for it is the first entertainment venture ever undertaken by the Board and, save for very infrequent subscription papers, is the only call made by the Board for outside support, though the work of the Board benefits the entire city.

Tickets will be 25 cents for general admission and 50 cents for reserved seats, which will be on sale Monday at Patterson's.

## FIGHTING FOR MEADOW LARK

Proposed legislation which would permit the destruction of the meadow lark has stirred up some of the local bird lovers and members of the Audubon Society. Several protests have been forwarded to Senator N. W. Thompson and Assemblyman W. E. Hinshaw in whose districts Sierra Madre is located. Mr. Thompson has written in reply to a letter from Captain Osgood as follows:

Sierra Madre, Cal.

Dear Mr. Osgood:—

Yours of the 2nd, in opposition to the bill looking to the destruction of the meadow lark, is at hand. I do not believe the measure will pass the Assembly at this session, although it did two years ago when advocated by the same author. It was then defeated in the Senate and I feel sure it will this time should it come before that body.

We are receiving a large number of communications protesting against the bill and will do all we can to prevent its passage. Very truly yours,

N. W. THOMPSON.

## NEW LAUNDRY POSSIBLE

Investigation of the local laundry situation makes it seem probable that Sierra Madre will have a laundry of its own before a great while. The man who has been looking into the business here says the prospect looks good to him and there is little doubt that there is a better opening here in that line than in almost any other. Many people would gladly give their support to a local enterprise and it is certain that with satisfactory service practically all the local business could be secured in a short time.

## BASEBALL TOMORROW

The Sierra Madre Athletic Club team will cross bats with the Moneta team which they were to have played last Saturday but which was kept away by the rain. The game will be called at two-thirty.

## RAINFALL RECORD

(By John G. Blumer)

Season 1910-1911

October	.....	.57
November	.....	.64
December	.....	.13
January 9	.....	.45
January 10	.....	2.43
January 15	.....	1.65
January 21	.....	.03
January 24	.....	.46
January 25	.....	1.61
January 26	.....	.06
January 28	.....	1.52
January 29	.....	3.25
February 3	.....	.65
February 4	.....	1.09

Total to date ..... 17.20

Total at this date last year, 19.72 inches.

Average recorded at the end of February for a period of 22 years, 17.14, showing that additional rainfall for this month will be so much ahead of the average for a similar period during the past 22 years.

## WHEN IT RAINS TOO MUCH

Speaking of rainfall, W. S. Andrews told the other day of his experiences during his first winter in Sierra Madre twenty-seven or twenty-eight years ago. The rainfall amounted to about fifty inches for the season. Of course there was no rail connection here then, not even the Santa Fe being built. And wagon travel to Pasadena and Los Angeles was sometimes completely interrupted by high water. Even as late as July that year the water flowed so deep in the Eaton's canyon wash that it was difficult to ford with a wagon.

In this connection is presented a clipping from the London Daily Mail, brought in by Mr. Blumer, with the remark that further development of water supply seemed hardly necessary in the places mentioned:

To the Editor of The Overseas Daily Mail.—Sir: In your issue of November 26 a correspondent at Hawaii asked if any reader knew of a place beating the rainfall of 18 ft. 9 1-2 inches at Oiaa, Hawaii?

It is true the record of sober fact that at Cherrapoonjee, Assam, the annual average rainfall is 600 inches, or 50 ft., and I believe that somewhere in the seventies they had an awful year there with a fall of 800 inches. I do not myself know Cherrapoonjee (a hill station in the Assam Himalayas), but any Assam man would vouch for my figures. I served from 1901-4 in Darjeeling, another Himalayan hill station, where our average rainfall was often over 140 inches in the year—a very wet place, where it is commonly said that the "rains" begin on April 1 and end on March 31!—Yours faithfully,

Herbt. A. Heard, J. P.

Pakur, Bengal, India.

Fred Copps left Monday for Oaxaca, Mexico, where he is interested in the mining business. From there he will go to Chiaban, the most southerly state of Mexico to inspect a very valuable tract of 3,600 acres which is owned by a Los Angeles company which he represents.

## BUYS PROPERTY OF EL REPOSO

C. W. MITCHELL PURCHASES HOME

**Also Takes an Interest in Sanatorium Enterprise, Which Will Be Removed**

Final agreement has been reached in a deal by which C. W. Mitchell acquires the entire realty holdings of the El Reposo Sanatorium Company. The contract provides that the sanatorium buildings shall be removed within a year and Mr. Mitchell expects to make the property his home place. The land includes 112 acres in the highest portion of Sierra Madre, making the deal one of the largest in the history of the city.

In acquiring this property, more familiarly known to the older residents as the P. T. Reid place, Mr. Mitchell secures one of the most beautiful home sites along the foothills of the Sierra Madre range. He will retain the entire tract for his own use and will not put a foot of it upon the market. The altitude of 1,200 feet and the position at the very top of the slope where the abrupt ascent of the mountain side begins, give a view of the San Gabriel Valley which cannot be excelled anywhere except from the tops of the mountains.

With the property goes a private water right which is exceedingly valuable in itself. The water is secured from tunnels on the property, driven into the mountain side and yielding a liberal flow. The limit of development has not been reached and competent engineers have declared that a sufficient flow could be secured to generate electrical power on the property, rendering it entirely independent of outside sources of water, lighting and heating.

So far Mr. Mitchell has not gone into any detailed plans as to how he will develop the property. Since coming here with his family about two years ago he has become so attached to the place that in securing the old Reid homestead he is simply following out his ambition to make Sierra Madre his permanent home. This deal will be good news to their many friends here.

The sale of the Sanatorium property brings with it radical and far reaching changes in the plans of the company. The contract calls for the removal of the Sanatorium buildings within a year and the entire plant will be removed, probably to some point in the San Fernando Valley. Mrs. Lund informs the News that a site will be secured which will be within easy reach of car service and which will give room for development of the model village idea on which she has been working for a long time. This plan has received the indorsement of officers of the federated woman's clubs as a means of providing needed treatment for the sick at reasonable prices. A bond issue will be made soon to provide funds to carry out the plans, the bonds being handled by Bainbridge Rider of Los Angeles.

William Krebs, a prominent business man of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has taken the Seiling bungalow at Adams and Grand View while enjoying a stay in Sierra Madre.



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"Do you consider it a sin to be rich?" "No; at the present price of living I consider it impossible."—Chicago Record-Herald.

## WILL HANDLE TROUBLE CALLS

The Piedmont Gas Company has arranged for a resident representative in Sierra Madre beginning February 15. Mr. C. D. Waits will bring his family here and will give his personal attention to all orders for the adjustment of troubles, connecting new services and installing of appliances. If your gas service is not giving satisfaction call Mr. Waits at once. Don't delay. His telephone number will be Piedmont Gas Co., Green 42. Gas bills will be payable at the company's office in the Kersting building as heretofore.

## CERTAINLY, ADVERTISING PAYS

Within three days after his advertisement of the placing of the Hawks "close-in tract" on the market appeared in the News A. S. Mead had sold 250 feet of frontage on Central Avenue. He had inquiries to the number of half a dozen or more before noon Saturday. The sales made so far are lot 16 to John Maher; the east half of lot 19 to F. H. Hartman; the west half of lot 19 to J. A. Gilbert and the east half of lot 20 to W. R. Lees. Mr. Maher expects to build soon and Messrs. Gilbert and Lees have plans already drawn for houses which they will erect on their lots. The Central Avenue lots have \$2,000 building restrictions. Mr. Mead has also sold the A. I. Caskey place on Esperanza Avenue to Jesse R. Shafer, an attorney of Los Angeles.

## WOMAN'S CLUB CALENDAR

Monday, March 13. Regular meeting. Address by Mrs. Mary Gridley of Glendale on antique and oriental rugs, with exhibit of rare rugs.

Tuesday, February 14, at 2:30 p. m. Valentine card party. Mrs. L. C. Torrance, hostess, assisted by the Board. Refreshments will be served. Admission 35 cents.

Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Adults' dancing class, followed by assembly from 8:30 to 10:30.

Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. Children's dancing class.

February 22. Annual Colonial dancing party. Refreshments. Admission 50 cents.

February 25. Children's Colonial party at regular class hour. Minuet dance in colonial costume. Visiting adults, 25 cents, children 15 cents.

## CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

First Congregational Church, Rev. James M. Campbell, D.D., Pastor. Services for the week beginning Sunday, February 12.

Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.

Public worship, 11 a. m.

Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p. m. Topic, Lessons From Great Lives. Consecration meeting.

Evening service, 7:30 o'clock. Subject, "True Greatness."

Ladies' missionary meeting at the home of Mrs. E. M. Tufts, Grandin St., on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

At the Wednesday evening prayer meeting the subject will be, "Sacrifice and Song."

The Los Angeles County Christian Endeavor Union will hold its annual convention at Pasadena February 24, 25 and 26. It promises great things for young people. Its theme, "Personal Evangelism," is of commanding importance. The convention speakers and conference leaders are acknowledged experts in young people's work.

Of his Cambridge days a dignitary of the Church of England tells this story: He always wore a white tie, and when he got his fellowship, full of pride, he went to call upon the master of his college. He rang the bell, the door was opened, and he was about to present his card, when the footman, who had run his eye over him, said, "You're too late, young man. I got the place yesterday!"—Ex.

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The toastmaster didn't have a set list of speeches to announce, so he apportioned the talks among the best speakers present as best he could. He did

pretty well, too, until he announced: "The toast 'Our Absent Members,' will be responded to by Mr. Blank H. Dash." Then everybody laughed, loud and long. Why? Because Mr. Blank H. Dash has lost an arm and a leg.—Ex.

Ferrine Voter (at a meeting)—I'm not prejudiced at all. I'm going with a perfectly open and unbiased mind to listen to what I'm convinced is pure rubbish.—Black and White.

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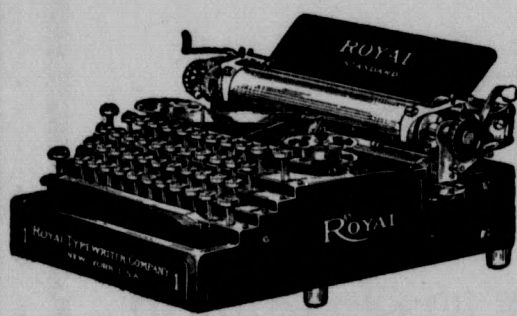
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## Brief Items of Interest

Mrs. A. E. Bell returned Wednesday  
from a trip to Vancouver, B. C.

Franklin Russell of Pasadena spent  
the week end at the Bennett home.

Kenneth Ham and Charlie Schwartz  
are spending a week in the mountains.

Jack Olds was a guest at the Ingraham and Johnson homes on Sunday.  
Miss Ruth Anet of Newhall was a  
week end guest of Mrs. George H. Lettau.

Messrs. John Hinton and J. P. Best of  
Los Angeles were guests over Sunday at  
the Lettau home.

Mrs. Barclay of New York is visiting  
at the home of her brother, Mr. Morton  
of Sierra Madre.

W. J. Humphrey of Wilmington, Delaware, is visiting his brother, E. A. Humphrey of Bonita avenue.

The Modern Priscillas were charmingly  
entertained at the home of Miss  
Jennie Lamber Thursday.

Dr. W. R. Pike of Long Beach spent  
a few days in Sierra Madre looking after  
his property interests here.

Dr. and Mrs. F. A. Dryden of Los  
Angeles are guests for the week end at  
the home of Mrs. S. C. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Currah of Spokane, Wash., spent Tuesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams.

Frank Meyerle of Holbrook, Nebraska, arrived Thursday to visit at the home of his brother-in-law, Mr. Weinberg.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burton and daughter, Natalie, of Ocean Park, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Humphries this week.

The Audubon Society will meet at the home of Mrs. J. W. Keys, East Central avenue, on Monday, February 20, at 3 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Copps entertained a few friends at dinner Sunday in honor of their son, Fred Copps, who left Monday for Mexico.

Miss Emily Brugman entertained a few friends at tea Sunday evening. Her guests were Misses Una Burrit, Hazel Clarke and Jessie Hayward of Los Angeles and the Misses Simmons and Merrill of Sierra Madre.

E. B. Young of Claremont was looking after business interests in Sierra Madre Thursday. He recently sold the Claremont Courier which he started about two years ago and will probably go into business in Los Angeles.

Attendance at the meetings of the Christian Endeavor Society has been increasing of late, the average for the last two Sundays being fifty. The topic for next Sunday's meeting will be "Lessons from the Life of Joseph" and Miss Hilda Caley will be the leader. All are welcome at these services.

Mmes. W. J. Lawless and L. E. Steinberger, chairmen of the committees on Public Health and Civics of the Woman's clubs, entertained their committee members and the new members of the club yesterday afternoon at the club house. Interesting talks were heard on the various phases of work which are carried on by the committees, after which a social hour permitted opportunity or better acquaintance with the new members.

Last Sunday's Times magazine section contained two articles of interest to Sierra Madre people. One was a realistic story of life in a Mexican town, written by Miss Lucile Larkey who is spending the winter in Leon, state of Guanajuato, and who has many friends in Sierra Madre. The other was a story of western ranch life called "The Homeland" and written by E. D. Ewers who has also spent considerable time here in the past three years and is now in Phoenix, Arizona.

Mrs. N. L. Beuhring spent the week end with friends in Los Angeles.

Miss Irma Wooster of Los Angeles spent last week with Miss Ethel Sage.

Mrs. Rowland Laws spent Thursday in Hollywood as the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Mead of Los Angeles spent Thursday in Sierra Madre.

Miss Lucile Collins of Los Angeles spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Philip C. Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilson of Seattle spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Andrews.

R. C. Davis has left for a visit in San Diego, not Altadena, as the News was informed last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Radford of Hood River, Oregon, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Slayton Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lloyd of Los Angeles were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hill on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wagner of Minneapolis, Minn., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brackett on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. A. Madden and Miss McDonnell were luncheon guests of Miss Henningson at Hotel Lankershim on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Humphrey enjoyed a visit on Sunday from the Misses Powell and their father from Santa Monica.

Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Copps were guests of friends in Los Angeles on Wednesday at an affair given in honor of several eastern friends.

Mrs. S. C. Davis and Mrs. Mary Goodfellow were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore M. Bulson of Highland Park.

Mrs. William A. Peterson of Chicago septn Monday at the home of Mrs. Charles Hall Perry. Mrs. Peterson is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Josiah Evans Cowles, a prominent Los Angeles club worker.

Mrs. George H. Cornell has returned to Sierra Madre after spending several weeks in Los Angeles during the serious illness of Dr. Cornell at the Pasadena hospital. The Doctor's progress has been slow but such as to give ground for hope of favorable termination of his illness.

## Missing Rhymes Found.

Bill Jones was an elderly bachelor, And he hadn't even a satchel or Valise; so he stole one—sad, sad step! For that was the way he lost his rep. —Chicago Tribune.

First New Woman—It is very important to get all cooks interested in the suffrage movement. Second New Woman—Why so? First New Woman—Because every cook controls two votes—her own and that of her mistress.—Life.

"Darn these automobiles!" said the Kansas farmer. "Bother you much?" asked the tourist. "I sh'd say so. When a feller sees a funnel-shaped cloud comin' down the pike he don't know whether to run for the gun or the cyclone cellar."—Toledo Blade.

An old couple came in from the country with a big basket of lunch to see the circus. The lunch was heavy. The old wife was carrying it. As they crossed a crowded street the husband held out his hand and said, "Gimme that basket, Hannah." The poor old woman surrendered the basket with a grateful look. "That's real kind o' ye, Joshua," she quavered. "Kind!" grunted the old man. "I wuz afeard ye'd git lost."—Ex.

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"Better hurry up that battleship for delivery," suggested the shipyard manager. "Is there going to be war?" asked the superintendent. "No, but it's only etiquette to deliver the boat before war goes out of style altogether."—Toledo Blade.



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**BY THE WAY**

How the editor's heart is warmed when a recently acquired subscriber takes enough interest in the paper to bring in a news item, or a bunch of them! If all subscribers would do that, even though only occasionally, the business of running a local paper would be greatly simplified and the paper would be made vastly more interesting to every one.

Some of these new fangled auto horns sound just like a fish wagon horn. What's the use of being aristocratic and wasting money on an auto when you could make a little money and the same kind of a noise driving a fish wagon? Moreover, by tying a thoroughly dead fish on the rear of your wagon you could leave in your wake an odor just about as agreeable as some autos leave.

Government investigations show that the "expectation of life" of printers is somewhat below the average, their confining work rendering them unusually susceptible to various diseases. Of course that is another reason why printers should do work cheaply or for nothing. The probability that they

will not live to old age makes it unnecessary to lay by a few dollars on which to live after they have passed the "two-third" stage.

Nobody need feel surprise or anger at Governor Johnson for swinging his boot vigorously at the railroad politicians. He said he was going to do it and the people who have wanted to be shown, in other words to hear somebody light, have heard the sound if their ears were open. If they don't like the idea they have to blame not the governor but the people who elected him by a vote which left no doubt as to what they desired done. He was elected to give the state an administration free from railroad and corporation domination, so why should he be hampered with a lot of the old "push" who were left over from the Gillett regime?

Now and then some oily tongued solicitor comes to town with a proposition by which he agrees to spread before the world the glories of Sierra Madre in some periodical or other publication, provided the local business men will dig up their hard earned cash. Sometimes the proposition is worthy and, as likely, it is not. All such proposals should be passed upon by the Board of Trade or its directors before receiving a penny from any merchant. If a thing is worth going into it is worth going into unanimously. And if it is not worth general support it is not worth a penny of Sierra Madre money. Some definite understanding should be secured, either by resolution of the Board of Trade or by written agreement of the merchants,

that all such proposals should be turned down unless approved by the Board of Trade. That would prevent "scattering fire" and wasting valuable advertising ammunition.

No one should expect woman's suffrage to bring the millennium, or anything like it. In fact the successful advocates of suffrage at Sacramento were not yelping suffragettes but cultured women who argued for suffrage as a matter of simple justice. The latter alone is sufficient reason for providing equal suffrage. To claim that it will immediately bring about any great change for the better or for the worse is hardly reasonable. At most it is pure theorizing. However, the recent recall election in Seattle is a good sign. Those who argue that only the worst class of women would avail themselves of the franchise can find little comfort in the vote there. About half of the women of the city registered for the first election at which they were allowed to vote. And 95 per cent of those who registered cast their votes. The defeat of the vice controlled administration is admitted to have been brought about by the votes of the women who supported the reform candidate.

Over in Hollywood two papers have struggled along for several years under the delusion that there was a living for more than one in the business. At last both publishers got tired and sold out to a man from Michigan who has merged them into one. At Inglewood, a town more nearly the size of Sierra Madre, two papers went through the same sort

of a struggle. One of them changed hands about five times in the course of two years. Finally the supply of "suckers" seemed to run out and no buyer could be found. So the plant was hauled back to Los Angeles to help repay some of the money which had been sunk in the enterprise, leaving the other paper alone in the field. The two papers in Cucamonga have been consolidated recently after a demonstration of the fact that there was room for only one. Over in Ontario the business men have been wise enough to support one good paper and discourage all efforts to start a new one. There is a town of nearly 5,000 and an inviting field. Only recently a man who started to solicit business for a new paper, it is said, was frankly told by the business men that they did not care to divide their patronage and thus maintain two mediocre papers instead of one good one. Wherein they showed their good judgment.

Some strange queries come into a newspaper information bureau, and the answers are not always easy, but one of the funniest was this: "Say, is this the Evening Times information bureau?" inquired a voice at the other end of the wire. "It is," politely answered the reporter. "Anything we can do for you?" "Well, I want to know who was it killed Abel?" "Why, his brother Cain," answered the reporter, who had once attended Sunday school before he broke into the newspaper business. "Oh, pshaw!" came regretfully from the inquiring voice. "I'll bet I'll have to go without a new overcoat this winter; I bet a fellow \$20 that it was Goliath. Thanks."—Ex.

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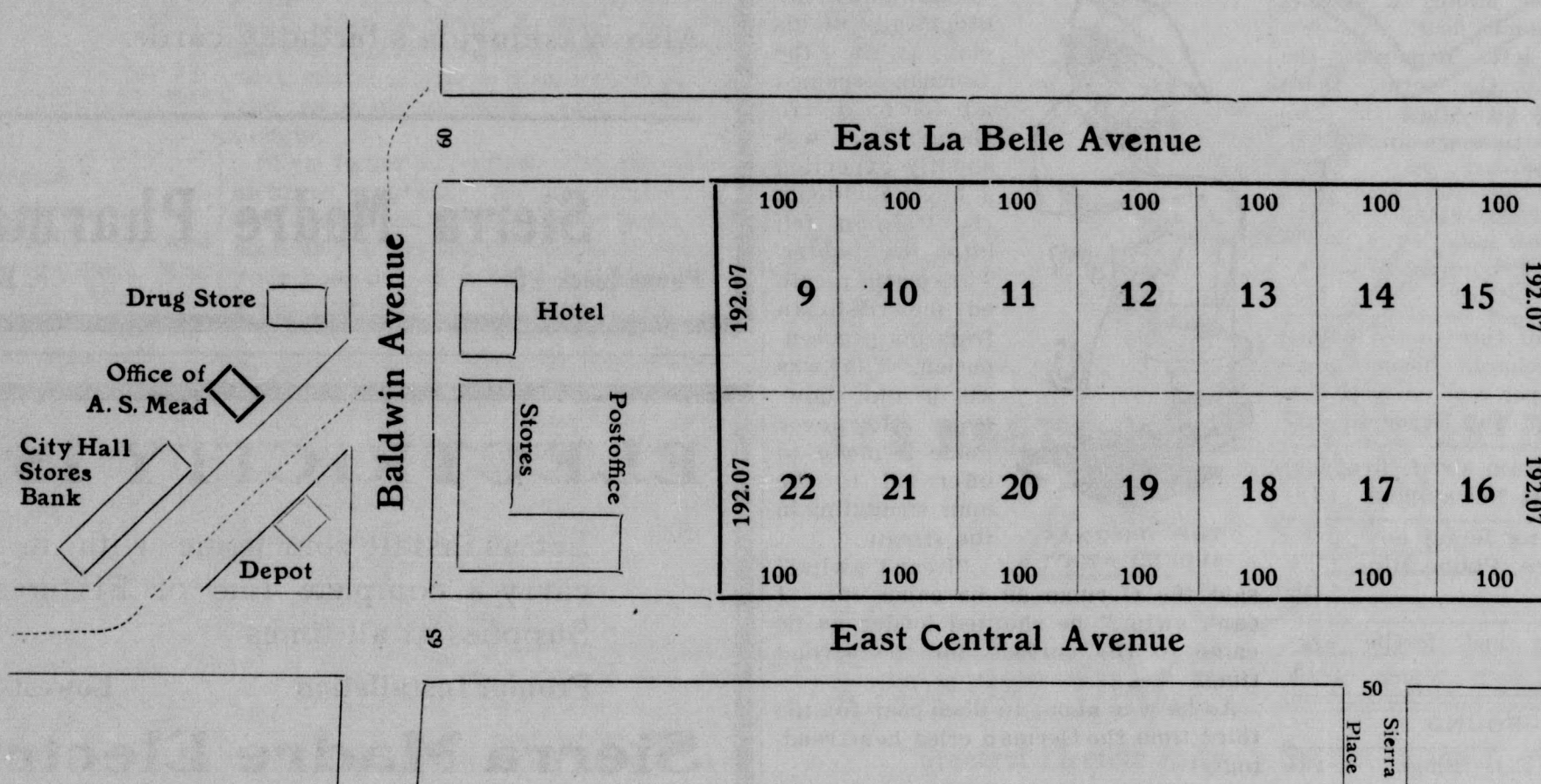
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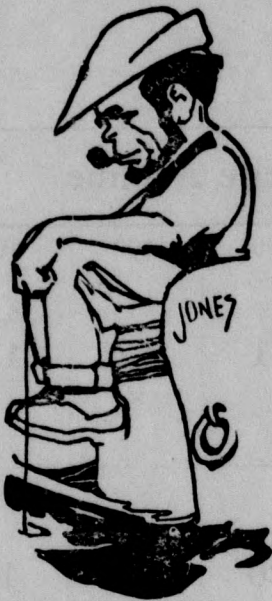
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Towne—Do I understand you to say that Spender's case was really a faith cure? Brown—Yes. You see, the doctor and the druggist both trusted him.—Medford Drum.

## The Scrap Book

## Ill Timed Bragging.

An Irishman and German were sitting on a pier fishing. Neither gave the other any concern. The Irishman



THE IRISHMAN  
SMOKED AWAY.

smoked away philosophically at his clay, while the German seemed absorbed in thought or was silently expecting a bite. Suddenly the German fell into the water. The splash recalled the Irishman from his preoccupation. That was all it did, however. He never made a move to offer aid to the man struggling in the stream.

"I can't swim!" said the German as he came up. "I can't swim!" he shouted louder as he came to the surface for the second time.

As he was about to disappear for the third time the German cried heartrendingly:

"I can't sw-i-m!"

"It's a d—d funny time to boast about it," replied the smoker of the clay.

## "Might Have!"

I have lived my life, and I face the end. But that other life I might have led—Where lay the road, and who was its friend, And what was the goal when the years were fled?

Where lay the road? Did I miss the turn? The friend unknown? Our greetings unsaid? And the goal unsought? Shall I never learn What was that life I might have led?

As the spring's last look for one dear day From skies autumnal on earth may bend, So lures me that other life—but, nay! I have lived my life, and I face the end. —Edith M. Thomas.

## His Mark.

One day a big city bank received the following message from one of its country correspondents: "Pay \$25 to John Smith, who will call today." The

cashier's curiosity became suspicion when a cabman assisted into the bank a drunken "fare" who shouted that he was John Smith and wanted some money. Two clerks pushed, pulled and piloted the boisterous individual into a private room away from the sight and hearing of regular depositors. The cashier wired the country bank: "Man claiming to be John Smith is here. Highly intoxicated. Shall we await identification?"

The answer read: "Identification complete. Pay the money."—Success Magazine.

## Averting a Panic.

On one occasion John Philip Sousa by his promptness was the direct means of stopping a panic which might have had the most disastrous results. While his band was playing before 12,000 people in St. Louis the electric lights in the hall went out suddenly.



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People began to move uneasily in their seats, and some even began to make a rush for the doors. Coolly tapping with his baton, Sousa gave a signal, and immediately his band began playing "Oh, Dear, What Can the Matter Be?" A tiny ripple of laughter that went round the audience showed that confidence had been partially restored. When the band began to play "Wait Till the Clouds Roll By" the laughter deepened into a roar of merriment that ended only when the lights were turned on again.

Humor is not expected on a death-bed, but it is often there. An English clergyman, Rev. Charles H. Kelly, relates a good story about the late Rev. C. H. Spurgeon. He was on the borderland of death at Mentone, and the night was very stormy. Next morning a lady said to Spurgeon, "I am afraid the wild waves disturbed you, Mr. Spurgeon."

"No," replied the great preacher, "but do you know what the wild waves were saying? They were saying, 'Let us spray.'"



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Phoenix Express No. 18, leaving 2:42 p. m., will pick up passengers for points between San Bernardino and Phoenix.

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No. 47—12:13 p. m.  
No. 43—4:56 p. m.  
No. 45—6:57 p. m.

## Eastbound

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No. 44—5:12 p. m.  
No. 42—9:13 a. m.  
No. 40—8:09 a. m.  
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"For Sale" and "For Rent" cards at the News Printery, two for a nickel.

## Sick, but Not Seasick.

Thomas Brown was about to take a short sea voyage. Thomas hated the sea and all that's in it with a twenty-two carat hatred, for he suffered horribly when on the briny ocean, but he had to go, and there was no help for it. This time, however, he determined to put a new seasickness cure theory into practice, and no sooner had he got on board than he stowed himself away in his bunk and slept like a top till early next morning. He felt in perfect trim and went up on deck beaming with delight.

"I've found a certain cure for seasickness, captain," he announced to that individual. "Go to your bunk as soon as you get aboard and don't show your nose out of it until you are near your destination. It worked like a charm with me. I haven't had a qualm all night. Why, what are you laughing at?"

"Oh, nothing," said the captain, "only the machinery broke down just as we were starting, and we haven't moved out of dock all night. The other passengers were transferred, but we didn't know you were aboard."

## Dreadful.

On the question of the practicability of prohibition Mark Twain is said to have expressed his views as follows:

"I am a friend of temperance, and I want it to succeed, but I don't think prohibition is practical. The Germans, you see, prevent it. Look at them. They have invented a method of making brandy out of sawdust. Now, what chance will prohibition have when a man can take a ripsaw and go out and get drunk with a fence rail? What is the good of prohibition if a man is able to make brandy smashes out of the shingles on his roof or if he can get the delirium tremens by drinking the legs of the kitchen table?"

## Not at All Abashed.

Work under a woman of the type to which Miss Prissy Allen belongs comes very close to being what the forefathers would have described as "a purifying trial." "Miss Allen," says Ike Bodwin in Joseph C. Lincoln's book, "Partners of the Tide"—"Miss Allen, she bought the last of my huckleberries. Then she wanted to know if I wouldn't mow the front yard. We had some dicker 'bout the price, but I fin'ly agreed to do it, so she shoved me where the scythe was, and I started in.

"And I declare to man," continued Mr. Bodwin excitedly, "if she didn't stand on the front steps and watch me like a dog trying to locate a flea, jumping on me every minute or two to tell me that she thought I'd cut this part 'most an inch shorter'n I had that part," and so on.

"Fin'ly I got sick of her nagging, and I said, just to shame her:

"If I'd known you were so particular I'd 'a' brought my spirit level along."

"Said she, 'There's one that used to b'long to father out in the barn.'"

## Mrs. Briggs' Speech.

Mrs. Briggs lived in the northern part of Indiana, a long distance from any village. Hearing that the Rev. Mr. Goodwin was to preach in a township some twenty miles distant, she resolved to be present, and, as no other way offered, she walked the twenty miles. The pastor heard of this and was so pleased at the appreciation which it showed that at the close of the sermon he mentioned the fact to the congregation and called upon Mrs. Briggs to tell them how she came.

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"I hoofed it."

Then she sat down again.

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## AT THE THEATERS

## Majestic

The Whitney Opera company, under the direction of Mr. Frederic C. Whitney, will present the brilliant production of Oscar Straus' famous operetta, "The Chocolate Soldier," at the Hamburger's Majestic next week.

This musical master-work which has alike enthralled the practiced musician and the seeker for mere amusement, is now established as a high standard of all a true comic opera should be. With its alluring melodies, entrancing dancing and martial scenes, its splendid company of singers and unique scenic and costume investitures, the vogue of this theatrical offering is by no means to be wondered at. Oscar Straus' fascinating music, the dramatically satiric love story and sparkling humor of George Bernard Shaw and the artistic presentation of producer Whitney's great company, place the production quite in a class by itself in the history of modern light opera. The full company of one hundred and twenty-five is now famous after its long engagements in Chicago and New York, and the Whitney Opera Comique Orchestra, the largest organization ever used for other than grand opera, will be a feature of added attractiveness.

The company to be heard in this city is practically that so much praised in Chicago. Antoinette Kopetsky, the little prima-donna from the Theatre National at Prague, Bohemia, sings the fascinating role of Nadina; Edmond Mulcahy and Frank Belcher, also important members of the Chicago engagement, are to be heard here, as is Margaret Crawford in the contralto role. The orchestra and chorus are also brought entire from the New York and Chicago engagements. Among the other singers are Ilon Bergere, a Hungarian Grand Opera singer of much reputation; Arthur Grover, the leading English baritone singer of light roles; and George Lyding in the difficult tenor role.

## Belasco

Marjorie Rambeau, the Belasco company's new leading lady, will make her first appearance with Lewis S. Stone and the others of the Belasco-Blackwood organization Monday night, in "The Girl in Waiting." This is the Hartley Manners' comedy that was played in the east this season by Laurette Taylor. The Belasco production is made by special arrangement with Colan & Harris and the local performance will be the first time the comedy will have been seen in the West. Incidentally, it will be the first stock company performance of the piece anywhere.

No play better qualified to display Miss Rambeau's effective acting could have been selected than "The Girl in Waiting." The piece concerns a young girl who in a spirit of mischief encourages a young fellow to innocently break into a house under the impression that it is the girl's home, the young woman and her sleepy father being locked out of their own residence at an early morning hour. Of course it is the house next door that the young man enters and very naturally the burglar alarm is sounded, with the result that he is arrested for a house-breaker. Then ensues an escape for the young girl who is suspected of being the "pal" of the alleged burglar and just to lend color to the suspicion the papers happen to be full of the crimes committed by a band of dress suit society burglars. With the police after both the young man and the girl as the supposed leaders of the gang of burglars, "The Girl in Waiting" takes on an interest that is at once intense and compelling and aside from the numberless comedy



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The appearance of Miss Rambeau with Mr. Stone and the other popular Belascos in "The Girl in Waiting," gives every promise of being the most interesting theatrical event of the Belasco season.

## Burbank

Crowded houses throughout the fourth week of "The Fox" and a manifestly healthy demand for more accommodation than the capacity of the Burbank can handle, has resulted in the announcement of a fifth week for Lee Arthur's successful comedy drama. The popularity of the play is taken by its owner and author to indicate that its hold upon the public is not alone through its unique puzzle.

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